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## 1 STATEMENT OF QUALITY POLICY

The Department of Forensic Science (the Department) is responsible for providing scientific analysis of evidential material upon the request of its clients, the criminal justice agencies of the Commonwealth. The Department is dedicated to providing a defect-free product in a professional manner to those agencies. To this end, the Department is committed to:

- The performance of forensic analyses and examinations that are accurate, relevant, reliable, thorough, and timely,
- The presentation of the results of analyses and examinations in reports and testimonies that are clear, objective, balanced and easily understood by its clients,
- The ongoing development of the skills and expertise of its personnel, and
- The advancement of the state of Forensic Science.

Department management has developed and implemented an extensive quality system, as set forth in this Quality Manual, which incorporates the policies and procedures necessary to meet these commitments. It is the policy of Department management that all Department operations will conform to the practices described herein. All Department personnel, therefore, will be familiar with this document and its subordinate documents and will implement the contained policies and procedures in their work. Deviations from these practices require the express written permission of Department management.

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